

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 6365

As Reported by House Committee On:
Ecology & Parks

Title: An act relating to motor vehicle emission standards.

Brief Description: Exempting the motor vehicles of certain residents who are members of the armed services from the provisions of chapter 70.120A RCW.

Sponsors: Senators Swecker and Roach.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Ecology & Parks: 2/19/10, 2/23/10 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

- Exempts motor vehicles that are obtained and used by a member of the armed services while serving in another state from the Washington motor vehicle emission standards.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY & PARKS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 15 members: Representatives Upthegrove, Chair; Rolfes, Vice Chair; Short, Ranking Minority Member; Chase, Dickerson, Dunshee, Eddy, Finn, Hudgins, Kretz, Kristiansen, Morris, Orcutt, Shea and Taylor.

Staff: Jaclyn Ford (786-7339).

Background:

In 2005 the Legislature adopted the California motor vehicle emission standards. Beginning with 2009 models, new vehicles (cars, light duty trucks, and passenger vehicles) must meet these emission standards to be registered, leased, rented, licensed, or sold for use in Washington. A new vehicle must meet these standards unless it is consistent with the emission standards adopted by the Department of Ecology or has 7,500 miles or more. A person who purchases a vehicle out-of-state that does not meet the emission standards will not be able to register, license, rent, or sell it for use in Washington.

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Summary of Bill:

The provisions of the motor vehicle emission standards do not apply to the use of a motor vehicle that is obtained and used by a resident of Washington while serving as a member of the armed services in another state.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) None.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: None.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.